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SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL EXTENDS TERMS OF RWANDA AND
YUGOSLAVIA TRIBUNAL PROSECUTORS

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[1](#)1. The Security Council, September 14, adopted resolutions extending the terms of the Prosecutors for the International Tribunals for Rwanda (ICTR) and Yugoslavia (ICTY). Resolution 1774 (ref A), which re-appointed Hassan Jallow as ICTR Prosecutor for a four year term, was adopted unanimously. No Council members spoke.

[1](#)2. Carla del Ponte's term as ICTY Prosecutor was extended until December 31, 2007 by resolution 1775 (ref B), which was adopted by a vote of 14-0-1 (Russian Federation). Following the adoption of the resolution, a Russian Deputy Representative made a statement explaining that they had abstained because of doubts about whether Ms. Del Ponte properly understood her mandate. He said that she had the audacity to write her own prescription which had produced a biased and costly international tribunal. The Chinese chimed in to note that the Prosecutors have been working diligently. They added that the Russian view could be understood but since there will be only three months left in the term of the ICTY Prosecutor, China had respected the Secretary General's nomination.

[1](#)3. The UK Deputy Permanent Representative, noting that she had not intended to speak but was reacting to the Russian remarks, supported Del Ponte, recalled that she had been instrumental in bringing Gotevina and other major indictees to justice. She also reminded the Council that it had made clear that should Mladic and Karadic be apprehended, they will be prosecuted no matter when the apprehension. The French Council President concluded the meeting by adding his delegation's support for the Yugoslav Tribunal and its Prosecutor.
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